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"Description of an Inorganic Polymer "Electret" in a Colloidal State Along With

the Method of Generating and Applications"

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**RESPONSE** 

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Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action dated 23 January 2003. A Notice of Appeal was received by the USPTO on 28 April 2003, making an Appeal Brief due by 28 June 2003. A request for a 3-month extension of time accompanies this response.

## **AMENDMENT**

Please amend the application as follows:

## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

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On page 16, please insert the following text between lines 8 and 9:

The present invention includes an inorganic polymer electret in a colloidal state with a zeta potential between about 33 and 50 mV. Preferably, the zeta potential is between about 34 and 50 mV. More preferably, the zeta potential is between about 34 and 48 mV. Even more preferably, the zeta potential is between about 35 and 45 mV. Even more preferably, the zeta potential is between about 36 and 43 mV. Even more preferably, the zeta potential is between about 37 and 41 mV. Even more preferably, the zeta potential is between about 37 and 39 mV. Even more preferably, the zeta potential is between about 37 and 38 mV. Most preferably, the zeta potential is about 37.7 mV.--

On page 16, please delete lines 13 through 25 in their entirety and insert the following

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